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TO: IMMEDIATE WHITE HOUSE/SITUATION ROOM FOR MR FARIO.

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ITEM NO: WH-3

DATE: 12 JUNE 1974

SUBJECT: ARGENTINA--PERON'S THREAT TO RESIGN AND CABINET RESIGNATIONS

REF : FOIS BUENOS AIRES PARIS APP IN SPANISH, 12 JUN 74, ENCLAVE

PRESIDENT PERON TODAY THREATENED TO RESIGN IF GROUPS WITHIN THE PERONIST MOVEMENT CONTINUE TO OPPOSE HIS POLICIES. FOLLOWING HIS NATIONALLY BROADCAST SPEECH PERONIST TRADE UNIONS AND YOUTH ORGANIZATIONS IMMEDIATELY ORDERED THEIR MEMBERS TO STOP WORK AND ASSEMBLE IN FRONT OF THE GOVERNMENT HOUSE FOR A MASSIVE DEMONSTRATION IN SUPPORT OF PERON. ACCORDING TO THE APP, THE ENTIRE CABINET HAS RESIGNED TO GIVE PERON A FREE HAND TO REORGANIZE HIS GOVERNMENT.

PERON HAS PREVIOUSLY INTIMATED THAT HE MIGHT RESIGN IN MOMENTS OF FRUSTRATION OVER THE POLITICAL IN-FIGHTING AND SERIOUS SPLITS WITHIN HIS MOVEMENT. THE FACT THAT PERONIST SUPPORTERS WERE ORDERED INTO THE STREETS RIGHT AFTER HIS DRAMATIC PLEA SUGGESTS CAREFUL ORCHESTRATION WHICH COULD SERVE AS A PRELUDE TO STEEPER MEASURES

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